



# Royal Torbay Yacht Club

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

We are always pleased to welcome new membership applications, there are two ways in which you may apply to join the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. The same form is to be used for either application.

1. **Traditional Membership Application** where the applicant is introduced and known by a current member.
  - a. The candidate for membership shall be proposed by one Member of at least one year's standing and shall be seconded by another Member of similar standing. All applications for membership shall be made in writing on a Form to be provided by the Club and shall be signed by the candidate, proposer, and seconder.
  - b. Notice of the Application shall be displayed on the Club noticeboard for not less than 14 days and the election shall be by ballot of the Management Committee present and voting at their first meeting after the expiration of that time.
  - c. No candidate shall be elected by less than 75% of the Management Committee Members present.
  - d. On election a candidate shall be notified and shall be sent a copy of these Rules.
  - e. No candidate shall be admitted to the Club as a Member until notification shall have been given and the relevant subscription and joining fee if applicable, paid.

**Introductory Membership Application** where the applicant is perhaps new to the area and not known an any current club member, a simpler approach to joining is available.

- a. Membership is confirmed, 48 hours after completion of the introductory membership form and-payment of the relevant subscription together with a joining fee if applicable.
- b. Notice of the Introductory Membership Application shall be displayed on the Club noticeboard for not less than 14 days.
- c. Joining the Club via this route has the same general conditions of membership with the following additional restrictions:

A member joining as an Introductory member may not:

1. Become an Officer of the Club.
2. Vote on any matter on which a Member of the Club would be entitled to vote.
3. Fly the Club burgee or wear its tie.
4. Represent himself / herself as being a full member of the Club
5. Share in the assets of the Club on dissolution.

These restrictions will be removed automatically at the end of the 12-month period providing no objections in writing are received at the club office.

Introductory Membership may be terminated following a Management Committee Review at any time (with costs returned pro rata).